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THE OLD PRO
VS.
YOUNG PRO

Last week some 51,000 fans voiced their approval of Billy Wade and the Los Angeles Rams as they downed the 49er's, 28-17. The following night before a slim 17,000, the Chargers came from behind to edge the Dallas Texans, 21-20, paced by two brilliant touchdown drives engineered by Jack Kemp in the final quarter.

While indulging in an exotic tall one at the Polynesian eatery on 101 Highway in Waverly Saturday night after the Charger game my eavesdropping qualities picked up strong mutterings between two slightly tipsy gentlemen carrying on a spirited conversation. The subject, the Rams and the 49ers. One pigskin lover appeared as if he had voted for presidents some eight times while the other looked as if he had just graduated from some Ivy League school back east. Not one to miss out on any "inside dope," I listened carefully and made like I was looking at some cute blonde devouring a fish-specialty of the house. And here is what I heard;

THE OLD PRO: I tell you Phil, in a couple of years people in Southern California will have forgotten the Rams. It'll be like there's no other professional team in town. The Chargers will get all the business.

THE YOUNG PRO: Whadda you nuts Ben? It's the other way around. No one will remember the Chargers. Look at the difference in the Ram crowd Friday night and the peanuts that attended the Charger-Dallas game tonight.

THE OLD PRO: Today's crowds don't mean a thing. What the Chargers got tonight the Rams could have had Friday. Football enthusiasts haven't increased, the two teams are splitting the professional football adherents. The Rams should have had 70,000 at the Coliseum. Before this year the LA-Frisco game almost always drew that many.

THE YOUNG PRO: Your wrong Ben. It's other factors that hurt the Ram game. The Circus and the Follies are in town also. I can't blame many people for going to these affairs instead of to some football game. They can see football all fall long but these shows are here just once a year for a limited time.

THE OLD PRO: That's a batch of you know what. Just show me a diehard football fan who'll forget about the sport for some lousy theatrical attraction.

THE YOUNG PRO: What about what the wife or kids want. Doesn't that enter the picture?

THE OLD PRO: Now your going to tell me that you have a cutie at home and seven kids, and you know all about the problems of married people.

THE YOUNG PRO: You don't have to have a ring on your finger to realize the conflict that must go on whenever a situation like this arises.

THE OLD PRO: Look kid! Maybe you've had too much to drink, hic. I tell you a football fan is a football fan, women and kids included. Tell me why else didn't the Rams pull a bigger crowd?

THE YOUNG PRO: You're the know-it-all, why not tell me why the Chargers didn't pull any better than they did?

THE OLD PRO: There new, that's why! Give them a little time and Sid Gillman and Hilton will have them paying \$5 to sit in the center field bleachers. Just wait 'til the end of the season, the Chargers will win the title and the Rams will be lucky to finish in the number three slot.

THE YOUNG PRO: I disagree, hic. Jon Arnett, Wade, Matson, and Bob Waterfield are heading for a National League conference championship. The AFL will die, at least in Los Angeles. I don't think your wonderful boys will be here in 1961.

THE OLD PRO: I don't know why I'm dinking with you. Hic! You get drunk too quick. Make some sense and I'll listen to you!

Before Phil could come back at the Charger lover, the blonde smiled my way with a hint of "let's dance" in her eyes and I was completely disinterested in their mouthings. My wife was not to be kept waiting.

Billy Wade Here Saturday



OPENS POP WARNER FOOTBALL

By BRUCE ALLYSON
Press Football Writer



BILL WADE

The Rams ace quarterback, Bill Wade, will throw the first pass to open up the South Bay Pop Warner football schedule, it was announced today by Rita Smith, the loop's publicity chief. The familiar number nine of Waterfield's backfield will appear at Sirra High School field at Compton and Van Ness Blvds. at 1 p.m. Saturday.

Squads from Torrance, Redondo, Palos Verdes and Gardena will participate in ten minute scrimmages among themselves before some 300 Pom Pom girls from the various South Bay cities.

The newly formed association is headed by Dick Wiser, president, Pat Hogue, vice president, Edward Nicodemus, secretary; Ralph Hogue, treasurer; and Ron Alexander as athletic director.

The Pee Wee team, consisting of boys age 9 to 11 and weighing 55 to 90 pounds will be known as the Torrance Vikings. Bob Jensen has been appointed Head Coach.

The midget team, made up of boys age 10 to 12 and weighing 75 to 110 pounds will be known as the Torrance Chargers. Head Coach Ron Alexander has named George Cole and Lloyd Daniels as his assistants.

Rams by 10 Over Giants

After whipping the 49er's handily, 28-17 last week, the Rams today were installed as 10 point favorites to down the visiting New York Giants at the Coliseum tonight.

Bob Waterfield definitely will go with ace signal-caller Bill Wade, in a game that is not expected to draw more than 35,000. The game will be televised to the east, but as usual it will be blacked out in the Los Angeles area. Radio station KMPC, however, will carry the play-by-play action, starting at 7:55 p.m.



TEEN-AGE champion — It's Janet Champion, youthful star of the Shipstads and Johnson Ice Follies which will end its world premiere run at the Pan Pacific Sept. 25. Janet is from San Diego and has been with the fabulous Ice Follies since 1955.

TOP THREE CRA RACERS AT ASCOT

Three top drivers go as favorites for this Saturday nights CRA Big Car races, at New Ascot Stadium. Heading the list is Allen Heath one-armed pilot from Northridge with five main event wins; also favored are, Danny Jones, Long Beach; and Don Davis, Phoenix, both with a pair of Triumphs.

All three pilots, fuel-injection Corvette engine machines, putting out some 400 horse power each. Two dark horses who could score their first wins of the year are, Colby Scroggins, Pasadena; and Jack Brunner, Gardena. Scroggins will pilot the new, Blair Auto Parts, Offenhausen, with which he had led two features this year until machine trouble put him on the sidelines. He will be on hand at 7 p.m. for time trials and the first race at 8:30 p.m.

Brunner has been a consistent front runner at the wheel of the Leach, Corvette. Brunner has been in the money in almost every race this year until machine trouble has put him out of action.

Other top drivers entered include: Hal Minyard, Crestline; Don Johns, Santa Ana; Louie Unser, Albuquerque, N.M.; Hal Logan, Los Angeles; Clay Robbins, No. Hollywood; Russ Long, Redlands; and Don Melton, Colton.

Admission for adults is \$1.95, juniors \$1, and kids under eight free. Ascot is located at 183rd St. and S. Vermont, just off the Harbor freeway.

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City Grid Squads Prep for Openers

KNIGHTS **SPARTANS** **SAXONS** **TARTARS**

With a new head coach and its first crop of seniors, Bishop Montgomery High saw a relatively small, but experienced squad turn out for the season's first workouts last week.

Some 33 gridders greeted new head coach, George Gauder who replaced Jim Pohey at the helm of the Knights.

Dick Corwin, from last year's squad, will probably hold down the quarterback spot in the Knights split-T offense.

Joe Rutherford and Richard Moore, also among Montgomery's first senior class, are again vying for backfield berths for the Knights.

William O'Connell and Mike Millek hope to bolster the defense for Gauder's eleven at tackle and linebacker respectively.

George Kennedy is a returnee at end for the Knights, while Fred Riganti, a full-back up from the B's, and Richard Carbajal at safety have been bright spots among the newcomers to the varsity.

The Knights open their '66 grid campaign against Loyola at home Sept. 23.

Coach Dave Tollefson will have his hands full at South High this fall as the Spartans jump into the rugged competition of the tough Bay League.

South, with 50 prospects builds its hopes around Bob Wehrhan and Joe Austin, a pair of returning backs. Both were standouts in the Pioneer League last season and figure to spark the Spartan attack again.

Wehrhan was All-Pioneer loop fullback and Austin was named to the second team.

Hit hard by graduation, South will abandon its smooth running multiple offense in favor of the wing-T series, which should benefit the young squad.

Only three other lettermen are returning for the Spartans and Austin will probably shift to the quarterback slot to fill the gap left by graduation. South tackles Dominguez High at Torrance Stadium in the opener Sept. 23, and the outcome will probably give a good indication of things to come for last year's Pioneer League co-champions.

Some forty aspirants of the gridiron greeted Coach Bob Shoup at North High last week as the Saxons eagerly awaited their first full season in a new stadium.

The outlook was bright for Shoup and his aides, who could boast of considerable experience.

Better than a fourth of his prospects were "veterans returning to the wars." Expected to bolster the North line were John Sibley and Gary Sexton, returnees, and Paul Harmon, a sophomore. All three tipped the scales at well over 200 pounds and should beef up the forward wall considerably.

In contrast to the huge linemen North also boasts the city's smallest gridders Felix Alvilbar. At 120 pounds the speedy halfback aspirant may just land a berth on the varsity if last year's showing on the "B" team is any indication of his capabilities.

Senior Dennis Hogue heads the candidates for quarterback duties at North. Also hoping to land the berth are Jeff Bell and Carey Hubert, who has turned in his baseball spikes for the year in favor of the gridiron cletes.

The city's largest grid turnout—some 53 strong—greeted Torrance High Coach Irwin Kasten last week, but despite the fine turnout at the city's smallest high school, the Tartars were hurting for experience.

Only six of the 53 aspirants were returning lettermen and Kasten faced the prospect of completely rebuilding his line.

End Cliff Weimer and small, but rugged Tom Holdsworth at center, were the only returnees on the forward wall.

Howard Taylor, another veteran, will probably hold down the signal calling duties for Torrance, but Don Dobrick, another letterman, from last year's squad also has his eye on the job.

Kasten and Co. are wasting no time preparing for the season opener with arch rival Redondo as two-day drills have taken precedence on the Tartar field. The opener is slated for Sept. 23 at Seahawk Bowl in the beach city.

LET'S GO

BOWLING

With Darlene Cope

Bowling lessons are coming to a close this week Gable House.

The instructors have taught the fundamentals. Now it is up to the individual to put them to use. If you want to become a good bowler you must concentrate. Norman Belt told us today that timing is the most important single factor. When you perfect it, you can then concentrate on correct placement of your ball. We were told to get mad at those pins, don't baby them; get up there and be determined that you are going to strike; then do it.

In reading a booklet "The Complete Guide To Better Bowling" I learned the following facts: The biggest error that most bowlers make is that they lose their timing and do not follow through. Some bowlers cannot determine if they are bowling at the right speed. Generally you can tell by what pins you leave. Too much speed would leave the 4-pin. If the bowler would slow the ball down just a "fraction," the 2-pin would take care of the 4-pin. The same idea would pertain to the 10-pin. Slow up the ball and give the 6-pin time to knock the 10-pin down. Joe Norris states, "It is harder to tell if you are bowling too slow. The leave there won't tell you too much, but you probably will be able to notice the ball begins to get a little erratic. Your control is off and you're not hitting the pocket as much. That's why there is a perfect speed for every player—fast enough to hit the pocket with consistency, slow enough to dump all the pins."

I have been greatly impressed by the lessons given at Gable House these past weeks. I hope I can carry through what all of us have been taught. Gable House has booklets to read to help you in bowling. If you are serious about bowling or just want to have fun, come over anytime and practice.

I heard recently of an elderly couple in their 80's who come into Gable House about twice a month and the gentleman bowls. The other day he bowled a 214 and 198. His wife is unable to bowl, but she keeps score for him. The gentleman stated, "I like to bowl at Gable House for its quiet atmosphere." If they read this I hope they give me their names. How's that for inspiration?

ICE FOLLIES RUN TO END SEPT. 25

Closing date for the Silver Jubilee edition of the Shipstads and Johnson Ice Follies has been set for Sunday, Sept. 25, it was disclosed today.

There will be two performances on the closing day, at 1 and 5 p.m.

Receiving most of the plaudits in the all new Ice Follies has been David Jenkins, Olympic Games champion who made his professional debut here.

Sharing honors with young Jenkins has been Richard Dwyer, king of the pros; Mr. Frick, senior citizen among the comics of the world; Janet Champion, teen-age star; Carol Calverly, from Compton and Whittier; Lee Carroll, new star from Huntington Park; and the Meldrum twins from Canada.

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